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Photo by Sue Tiffin

Brandon McGuire, five months, watched his older brothers toboggan down the hill at Glebe Park but stayed put on his dad's chest. See story on page 22.

Minden commits to EMS and fire hall

By Mark Arike
 Staff writer

Minden Hills plans to fork out over \$300,000 to enter a 50-50 partnership with the County of Haliburton on a property off Hwy. 35 – as site designated for a future EMS base and fire hall.

Councillors made the decision during their Jan. 16 committee-of-the-whole meeting, after receiving a report from the township's fire chief Doug Schell, which indicated that the county was awaiting an answer.

"The County of Haliburton is currently proceeding with the intention to build a new EMS building and requests a decision from

the Township of Minden Hills as to move forward with the combined service building," stated Schell in his report.

Schell recommended that council proceed with the project in principle, with the final decision approved if actual costs are agreeable when presented.

According to his report, the county purchased the piece of property in 2011 with plans to build a new EMS building. In the fall of 2011, the county asked the township if it would be interested in a joint venture to include a new fire hall on the property.

Last fall, the county decided they would move forward with the EMS base despite no available grant monies from the federal or

provincial governments. They then asked if the township would move forward with the combined services in 2014.

Treasurer Lorie Blanchard provided Schell borrowing rates from Infrastructure Ontario to give council an idea of the financial impact a new fire hall could have. For example, if the township borrowed \$1.5 million from province over 20 years at four per cent, the annual payment would be nearly \$110,000. This means the total repayment amount would be almost \$2.2 million.

Blanchard told council that the township currently has \$300,000 sitting in reserves, which had been taken from the 2011 surplus.

Schell provided council a list of repairs and

upgrades that would eventually need to be completed at the current fire hall, which is 40 years old. He estimated that these repairs would come in at approximately \$400,000. This doesn't include \$51,000 in damage to the building caused by last spring's flood.

To date, the county has spent \$683,000 on the acquisition of the Hwy 35 property and servicing of the lot, said Minden Hills Reeve Mark Arike.

Councillor Brigitte Gail asked if a breakdown would be available of how costs would be shared between the township and the county. In earlier discussions, she had heard the proposed structure was to be shared.

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Ron Nesbitt hopes the third time is the charm as he puts his name in the hat for councillor-at-large in Minden Hills.

Nesbitt enters the race

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

Ron Nesbitt has run for council twice before, but that isn't stopping him from running for councillor-at-large in the 2014 Minden Hills municipal election.

The 66-year-old retired Ford employee said he joined the race last week after feeling that he wanted to see a change. "I think a new perspective in there would help," he said. "I just want to make a better town, and I think I can make a difference."

Nesbitt said that although he doesn't have past council experience, he knows the area well and is well-known in the community. He is a former Lion's Club member, a former member of the Library Committee, and he volunteered for the Terry Fox Run. His son lives here, and he said his grandchildren are being raised here as well so an improved town is essential for him. He praised several members of the

current council and said that with him on the team, council can do what the town needs.

"If people tell me what they want, I'll fight for them," he said. "Everybody's equal, and everybody gets my time."

A new fire hall is a priority for Nesbitt, who said that the current hall isn't in an ideal location for the community's needs. He also said Minden needs more doctors, more housing, and that there needs to be growth in the town.

"We need a change. What's happening right now — everything's going out and nothing's coming back in. There's no growth in the town to speak of."

Nesbitt, who was born in Haliburton, lives in Minden with his wife of 47 years, Linda. He said that he feels great and is physically fit, being sure to work out every day and not smoke and drink.

"I know what I'm doing, I know what I'm talking about," he said. "I'm not interested in politics, I'm interested in having a better town. If it's not right in my heart, it's not going to happen."

Highlands East considers zoning for pot growers

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

The next crop of marijuana grown in Highlands East might actually be legal, as government regulated medical grow operations are looking at rural areas to set up their facilities.

Before that happens, the Municipality of Highlands East is hoping to amend its comprehensive zoning bylaw so as to be able to control the locations of these new businesses in the area.

Because legislation prevents the grow operations from being housed in a dwelling, municipal planner Chris Jones suggested it would be inappropriate for any of these to be located in a zoned residential area, in a report delivered to council for its Jan. 14 meeting. However, there is nothing in legislation that prevents that from happening.

"There is nothing in our [comprehensive zoning] bylaw to

stop anyone from having a marijuana operation," said Sharon Stoughton-Craig, Highlands East CAO. "What Chris [Jones] is suggesting is we get some type of definition so that we have some kind of control."

Ward 3 councillor Cec Ryall, however, didn't think it was enough to just limit the grow operations from residential zones.

"What we're talking about here is passing something generically that will have no value," he said. "We need to look specifically with regards to who's asking, what they're doing, and do they meet all the requirements. So to put something in our act just to say we've got something there bothers me."

Any decisions on amending the zoning bylaw for marijuana grow operations have been deferred until council can host a public meeting, with Jones present, to answer any questions and develop a comprehensive amendment.

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Councillors support letters against OPP funding formula

By Mark Arita
Staff writer

Minden Hills council plans on pushing back against the proposed OPP funding formula, which would double policing costs for the municipality in 2015.

During a Jan. 16 committee-of-the-whole council meeting, Reeve Barb Reid requested that council support resolutions from the Township of Sequin, Township of Champlain, Town of Fort Frances and the Municipality of Mississippi Mills that request the province step in and abolish the model.

"It's been discussed by county council and we are collectively getting our ducks in a row, seeking a delegation with Minister [Madeleine] Meilleur to express our concern about the impact the proposed changes will have on each of the four lower tiers in the county," said Reid, who is a member of county council. "We also all agreed that we should be supporting these resolutions as they come through so that we can provide evidence that we have been taking an active interest in this."

In Minden Hills, the current cost for policing services amounts to \$175 per household. With the new formula, which is comprised of two components – a base service level and calls for service – that amount will soar to approximately \$369 per household, or a \$1.1 million increase.

While many rural communities are being

negatively affected by the model, some larger towns and cities are expected to see a decrease in their bill.

Deputy-Reeve Cheryl Murdoch said she recently attended a Community Policing Advisory Committee (CPAC) meeting where concerns about the funding formula were raised.

"It was brought up at the CPAC meeting with the police services and we expressed our opinion," said Murdoch. "There were representatives there from all the municipalities... (who said) that we have great concerns."

According to Murdoch, local OPP representatives said there would be meetings going on at the higher level about this.

"That's good to hear," said Reid. "That's essentially what [Haliburton Highlands Staff] Sgt. (Chad) Bark told me yesterday. They're very concerned as well about the impact this proposed funding model has on Haliburton County. It's kind of unfolding as we speak."

Councillor Ken Redpath spoke in favour of opposing the new formula.

"I think it's very important we push back as hard as we possibly can on this," said Redpath. "If this goes through as it's being proposed, we're looking at in excess of \$1 million being added to our budget. It's going to be a 20 per cent increase in our tax budget. It would be devastating to the municipality."

Council will decide on the resolution at their next regular meeting.

Minden still 'in season'

Township keeps old tagline

By Mark Arita
Staff writer

Minden Hills councillors aren't yet ready to abandon the township's tagline "In Season, Every Season."

"As you know, we have a relatively new director of tourism and part of the marketing plan revolves around the promotion of Haliburton County as #MyHaliburtonHighlands," Reeve Barb Reid told councillors during a Jan. 16 committee-of-the-whole meeting.

Reid said that county councillors were asked whether or not the four municipalities would drop their own tagline and adopt #MyHaliburtonHighlands in order to boost its exposure.

"The feeling is mixed right now," said Reid. "It was acknowledged at county council that the Minden tagline, 'In Season, Every Season,' has been part of this municipality for quite some time now and we've spent a lot of years branding it on signage, correspondence and through the media."

Reid pointed out that the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) offered to redo signage in the village and on the highway mid-way through 2013.

"At the time it was understood that everybody's tagline was going to be on those signs," she said, adding that Highlands East road signs, which include a tagline, have already been erected.

Councillor Larry Clarke said it sounded as if the request was coming "a little late to the table." He recommended that county council come up with an agreement for all four municipalities, so that the changeover occurs when the signage is no longer usable.

Council unanimously agreed to continue using the current tagline.

Last year, the Township of Algonquin Highlands ran a contest to determine its current tagline which is "Adventure Begins Here." The Municipality of Dysart et al's tagline is "In the Heart of the Haliburton Highlands" and the Municipality of Highlands East's is "Yours to Explore."

The county's tourism director, Amanda Ramson, came up with the #MyHaliburtonHighlands tagline as part of the county's new branding and marketing strategy.

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Editorial opinion

Snow reason

A woman died in Gooderham.

Two weeks ago, Bonita Dewey was crushed under her roof, snow, and ice, while sweeping off her porch after a heavy snowfall. The buildup of snow and ice on the structure, combined with the rain that followed, made for a tragic incident that has left one family devastated.

It could have happened to anyone.

Take a drive down some of the roads here in the Highlands and look at the car ports or overhanging roofs. Notice the heavy snow that's left to sit there, nearly buckling the structure and putting anyone at risk who dares to tread beneath.

Tool sheds are another hazardous area, where too often people neglect to maintain the roof, causing the whole structure to collapse when the door is slammed shut.

Dewey likely didn't second guess her actions that afternoon. It's also unlikely she heard anything more than a crack before the roof came down.

It's one thing when private residences are poorly maintained – at least then the damage done is often isolated – but when downtown businesses have to block off parts of the sidewalk because of snow and ice buildup on their roofs, the situation is out of hand.

For several weeks, the sidewalk at the corner of Maple and Highland Streets in Haliburton Village was blocked off because of the snow on the building.

After the incident in Gooderham, crews were quickly dispatched to take care of the problem. The timing might have been coincidental – or it could be they got the message.

But now there's another barricade up. The laneway off of Highland Street

that leads to a parking lot has been blocked off because of snow and ice building up on the roofs of the adjacent buildings. Someone, somewhere – either the business owners, property owners, or the municipality – has recognized the problem, but instead of making it a priority, they applied a Band-Aid solution.

This weekend, hundreds of visitors are coming to the Village for the Ford Hockey Championships. There will be seniors and kids all over the main street, and right in its heart lies this hazard. You never know when the roof will finally give out, or the ice and snow shift, causing harm or death to anyone in its path. Just ask the Dewey family.

A wooden barricade won't keep someone out if they think it's a short cut to their car in the parking lot, nor will a child understand they can't play there if they happen to escape their parent's grasp.

If it's a known issue, there is no excuse for the snow to be allowed to build up that much to begin with, let alone to leave it there to melt off on its own. If it does release, the snow won't come a little bit at a time, but in large sheets. If the roof starts to fail, it won't be gradual, either.

The BIA or the municipality needs to get involved and make this a priority. We've seen, as early as two weeks ago, what poor maintenance can cause. It is unacceptable to take these same risks in the heart of Haliburton Village.



By Matthew Desrosiers

The Outsider The tale of the phallus and the fly tier



By Will Jones

As I sat there winding turned around a look, I sensed that someone was standing over me, staring at me. I turned and looked up at him, meeting his gaze as best I could through the silver lensed skiing goggles that he wore. Even through these mirrors that reflected tiny images of myself back at me, I could see, or sense, his expression of incredulity.

I smiled. It was all I could do not to laugh.

"I'm tying that," I said, before adding, "for fishing in the spring."

The lower part of his face cracked into a smirk. "You should be out on the hill, buddy, that's where the action is. Not sitting here playing with feathers and twigs!"

And with that he turned and marched away, obviously very pleased that he had set the weeds straight on the order of the day.

Finally, I could let it out, a sort of suppressed squeal that turned into an eye watering, chest hurting uncontrollable laugh.

In addition to his mirrored goggles, and a very fetching multicoloured ski jacket, my assailant had been wearing a ski helmet with what can only be described as a cross between a jester's hat and a multi-appendaged sex toy stretched over it. As he clomped away, his stiff ski boots giving him a somewhat jerky (or just jerk) gait, the eight phalluses atop his head jiggled and danced like disco dive dildos.

I scanned the room and no one else was pointing or laughing at him: no one was taking the slightest bit of notice of him.

I looked around again and more than one or two pairs of eyes averted their gaze from me and from what I was doing in the corner of their ski lodge: my fly tying vice fixed to a table, my feathers, fur, hooks and threads spread in front of me.

On my third survey of the room, I took time to check out what people were wearing and it slowly dawned upon me that it was I and not Dildo man who was the odd one out. It was I who was the outsider.

The room was busy and noisy. People strode, or clomped about in the same robotic manner as my 'friend'. Many wore extremely bright ski outfits, the theme of which seemed to me to be, 'how many magenta including colours can I don at the same time, making sure that they in no way complement or match whatsoever'.

I saw other strange headwear stretched over ski helmets, too. There was a fairy tutu, a bear's head, a princess's tiara and

a floppy set of moose

antlers. Thankfully all of these were worn by sliders of less than four feet in height and as such were really fine by me. The fake dreadlocks and red, green and gold headband that adorned the helmet of a 40 something, white Throcktonian (I knew he was from Throckton because he kept shouting into his cell phone about the house in Rancesvalles), was rather more disarming. It was as if a Black and White Minstrel had been reincarnated as an obnoxious slider!

I passed the day quietly tying flies and taking in the rainbow of colour around me. My lovely wife and Little Z popped in from the slopes every now and then to check that I was OK and each time I smiled serenely, partly very pleased that they were somewhat less gaudy skiing attire, partly tripping from the sensory overload of this colourful kaleidoscope that milled around before me.

"I think people think I'm strange," I said to my lovely wife during one of her visits. "I see them nudging each other and whispering about..." But I was interrupted. Dildo man was back, this time with a friend in tow.

"Hey buddy! I brought Brandon to meet you. He's a fisherman, too."

I was already staring at Brandon. Taller than Dildo man by six inches at least, his height was further accentuated by the blonde pony tail of fake hair that was fixed to the top of his helmet.

"HAHA," he boomed. "You ain't gonna catch anything with them. You need jerk baits!"

Started at his directness, and oddly apt suggestions, I blurted out: "Er-yah, thanks. Nice bait."

"Cheers buddy," came the reply with not a hint of irony. Then, punching his friend in the arm, he added: "What about this guy, he looks like he's got eight dildos sticking out of his head. Bahahaha." And with that I was lost to them as they bickered and fustigated their way back across the ski lodge.

I could sense that day at the ski hill that I was the outsider. My head-me-downs Haliburton dinner jacket and blue jeans did not meet muster with the skiing set, and my socks with feathers and hooks made me down right strange. But hey, I don't mind. And if they can accept a wannabe Minstrel and a guy with sex toys strapped to his head into their fold, there's hope for me yet.

Look for Bram Lebo's column next month.

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Letters to the editor

Minden snow removal helps business

Dear editor,

It is snowing today, again. No worries, we live and operate a business in Minden and Minden has the greatest snow removal crew around.

Many days these men can be seen from very early in the morning until late in the evening making sure our roads and sidewalks are clear and safe. We are so fortunate to run a business in this town where our customers do not have

to climb snowbanks to get to our front door.

Many thanks for all your hard work and extra efforts to make our town a safe, accessible town in the winter months. Your efforts are appreciated by us, our customers, and everyone who visits Minden.

Calum O'Byrne
The Wine Store, Minden

Look forward to candidate debates

Dear editor,

I have visited [the] new election website and find it very interesting. I hope however that in addition to this website there is an all candidates meeting held sometime in the summer when many cottagers who also pay taxes will have an opportunity to ask candidates questions in person. For example, councillor Ken Redpath is interested in having mandatory septic system inspections. Other candidates might have other ideas they wish to pursue. The arena in Minden could be used for such a meeting.

Myself and my wife have a cottage on Gull Lake and have gone there for many years. We enjoy the town of Minden and the people there. If you need help, you will get it. Both of us have used the health care system. It is no secret that there has been a fair amount of turmoil since the election in 2010. That is when four candidates ran for election and branded themselves as the Vision Team. They all were elected to office and voted as a block on issues. Many people had their feelings hurt and some, but not all, expressed them to The Highlander.

John Mathewson
Winnipeg

Not worth my vote: part two

Dear editor,

For the benefit of those who read the letter I sent to The Highlander, and which appeared in last week's paper, be advised the letter was edited for length by The Highlander, against my wishes and without my consent. Had I been contacted it would have been easy to illustrate the same.

Left out of the letter were my concerns regarding the outrageous salaries of corporate CEOs and upper level civil servants, the movement off shore of Canadian companies, denying Canadians jobs, government taxes, wealthy Canadians holding off-shore accounts to avoid paying taxes, corporate welfare, and a welfare system which sees two able-bodied people live under the same roof, not work, and continue to have children.

All of the above only serve to increase the tax burden on the rest of us who work and pay taxes.

Keith W. Stone
Kirkwood

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Photo of the week



A paddler on Gull River, Jan. 14.

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Highlander opinion

Eye on the street: Do you like having the Pond Hockey Championships in Haliburton?



Dennis Pope

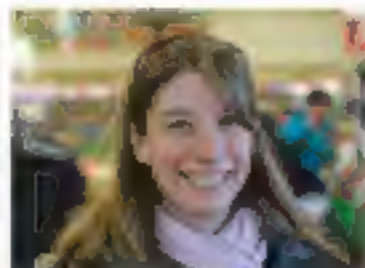
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Yes I like the idea because it will bring people to town. I especially like that it is in one place here in Haliburton.

Hilary Anderson

Haliburton

I do like the idea of Pond Hockey. It brings people and entertainment to the area, but sorry, I will not be attending.



Nicky Parish and Jackson

Haliburton

Yes I think it is awesome, because we are a small community and we are able to do something of this magnitude. I am not a sports person but I do support the Pond Hockey.



Susanne James

Haliburton

It is a great idea and good for the community and I definitely will be there on the lake in the day and for the movie on Saturday night.

Jill Morrison

Wilberforce

Yes I like it. It's great for our town. Yes we will be attending with the kids and Dad. Looking forward to it.



Photos and interviews by Walt Griffin

Township to pay for half of land acquisition costs

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as one third for the county, and two thirds for the township on the build.

"We did have a meeting, Nancy [Wright-Laking], Lorrie and myself with some county representatives, and we sat down and talked about some of the issues, but never came to any viable conclusions at that time," said Schell.

"So if there's no fee structure... and now I'm hearing the EMS (administration) office isn't going to be there, we're not really seeing the cost savings that were initially discussed," said Gail. "If there are no cost savings, then why is Minden Hills still going to be expected to carry two thirds of the cost?"

Reid explained that no final decisions have been made regarding either project.

"Just to be clear, nothing's been carved in stone," she said. "If we think that a 50-50 proposition is reasonable, then that's what we'll put forward."

In Reid's opinion, it was more important to consider funding for the building.

"I think the bigger issue here is the fact that if we're in without any grant money to build this thing, we're looking at three per cent on top of three per cent for the next 20 years, assuming we can hold our operating budget to the rate of inflation," she said.

"That's a big ask. I am very nervous about moving ahead with this right now without a grant – and I'm certainly not going to be recommending that the county move ahead with the ambulance base without a grant."

Reid said it's not as if either structure needs to be replaced immediately.

"It's not like the ambulance burned down and we have to replace it. We have it and we have a fire hall. It's not like we have a disaster that we're trying to recover from."

Schell recommended that council consider a 50-50 split as a viable arrangement.

"I would propose a 50/50 split because we're (the firefighters) not there all the time," he said. "We're not using the heat, our doors don't open and close to the bays as much as the EMS would."

Deputy Reeve Cheryl Murdoch, who has sat on county council for the past eight years and served as chair of the EMS committee, said she couldn't imagine the county moving forward on a project of this magnitude without government funding.

"I do not ever see the county making a move on this building without some government money. So I think that's a very safe assumption to make."

Murdoch called the property prime real estate, and pointed out that it took former county EMS director Pat Kennedy two years to find it.

Gail referred to the \$683,000 that had already been spent on the property, explaining she was concerned about future financial implications.

"I would feel more confident in going forward with some kind of fee structure being worked out and talked about at the same time. If it just comes to a point when it's not tenable for the municipality, perhaps we move to the next step of acquiring the

land that the county has said they will sell next to the EMS bay because they're going to have to offset their costs."

Blanchard told councillors that when considering shared costs, it isn't necessary to adhere to a percentage or flat rate.

"My recommendation would be to make a tiered kind of approach," she said.

Reid suggested going back to the county with an offer to pay half of the costs incurred to date in order to secure the township's interest in the property.

"That secures our position as a partner in that future project. If we don't do that, the county has absolutely no obligation to consider us and county council could decide... to go ahead and build that ambulance base on its own, and absorb \$683,000 and the cost of building the base. I kind of doubt they would but anything is possible."

She added that with \$300,000 in reserves, the township would "could come very close to purchasing 50 per cent of the fixed costs that have been incurred to date on that property."

Reid stressed that it would be wise for the township to secure their rights to half the property.

"If Minden continues to grow, to be able to replace that property at what was paid in 2009 is not likely on the horizon," she said. "In terms of an opportunity for Minden Hills, to be able to secure our rights to be there by virtue of paying for half of the land acquisition and servicing, puts us in a good position to have options in the future. If we

decide we didn't want to build there, well now we have a valuable asset we can sell."

Murdoch supported Reid's proposal. "This would satisfy the existing county council for now, if we were to move on this and do it."

Gail agreed with Reid and Murdoch, but stressed the need to develop a fee structure.

"Can we work towards a fee structure or long-term agreement... some kind of future planning as to how this looks before we commit any money after that?" she asked.

"I don't think the county is going to make any kind of a move without government money," said Murdoch, adding that in 2009, Minden Hills accessed \$6 million of government money for the boardwalk and the library.

"I don't see this being a big debenture on our end until some government money becomes available."

The motion that was moved by Murdoch and seconded by Gail states that the township will pay for half of the land acquisition costs and servicing, adjusted for tipping fees. The township is also not prepared to move forward with the construction of a fire hall until a government grant is made available from senior levels of government.

Council passed the motion in a unanimous decision.

County treasurer Laura Janke told The Highlander that although Minden council made that decision, it will require approval at the county level to proceed.

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Meetings and Events

January 30

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Minden Council Chambers
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February 13

9:00 a.m., CoTW meeting,
Minden Council Chambers
(public session 10:00 a.m.)

1:00 p.m., Budget Standing Committee
and Budget Public meeting,
Minden Council Chambers

February 15

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tip the scales this year?

If you wish to enter your chili in this
year's competition, contact Elissa Weiss,
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705-286-2298 for more details. You need to
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The Minden Hills Winterfest Chili
Competition is being hosted at the Minden
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Feb 16 & 17 2014

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Highlander news



Photo by Mark Arlke

Neighbours are fighting against the development of a new facility at this location on County Road 121 in Snowden Township.

Religious retreat faces resistance

Location less than ideal, say Minden Hills councillors and residents

By Mark Arlke
Staff writer

A couple from Snowden Township are fighting plans to build an Apostolic United Assembly Church religious retreat. The retreat will be built on the organization's property off of County Rd. 121.

"We have some really serious concerns," Ruth Pearson told Minden Hills councillors during a Jan. 16 public meeting.

Pearson and her partner, Mike Brohen, live across the road from the 120-acre vacant property. Over the years, the couple says they have been subjected to loud noise created by members of the group who visit the property on weekends.

"They're not doing anything that people don't do at their cottage," Pearson explained. "They're outside playing games, having fun. There (are) families with children so there's lots of screaming, laughing and shouting back and forth. They play music, they use bull horns to communicate."

The noise has been so extreme, said Pearson, that they've had a hard time hearing their own television, even when all the windows are closed.

"It was as if they're in our front yard... and we were part of the congregation and joining in on everything," she said. "That's how loud it was, how inconvenient it was for us."

Pearson pointed out that the vacant property is located in between three homes.

"It's not like they're building it back (on the property) where you can't see it," said Brohen. "It's right beside the highway."

The couple also has concerns about the impact the development could have on their water table.

"Every year that we've lived there, in mid-July through August, we notice a definite drop in the water table," said Pearson, who

has a drilled well. "Just two of us have to be really careful about how we use our water."

A hydrogeological and servicing assessment report was completed by Oakridge Environmental Ltd., according to a memo by municipal planner Chris Jones. One of its findings states that a new well drilled on-site produces sufficient water yield to sustain the proposed retreat. Drawdown tests on adjacent wells have demonstrated that the new well will not significantly interfere with adjacent drilled wells.

In order to obtain a building permit for the proposed 7,700-square-foot retreat, which would include dining facilities, meeting space, a congregation area and 10 rooms for accommodations, the Euboea-based organization has applied for a zoning bylaw amendment. The lands are currently designated rural.

Darryl Tighe, a land use planner with Landmark Associates in Peterborough, told councillors that the development would take up about 3.5 acres of the property.

"It's a rural retreat for personal and religious reflection, social and recreational gatherings," said Tighe, who added that the development would benefit the local economy.

"Local and regional economic benefits typically could include temporary employment and secondary business impacts during the construction of the facility," he said.

Tighe said the centre would employ upwards of eight people and utilize the services of local businesses.

A recent meeting was held with the Health

Unit, and according to Tighe they were in agreement with the servicing report as it relates to water and sewage disposal.

"They had no concerns with the application."

The planning administrator for Minden Hills, Adam King, received one written comment from the County of Haliburton in response to the proposed zoning bylaw amendment.

"They've identified the potential need for an upgraded entrance, and they've asked council to defer the decision on the application until the entrance requirements are dealt with," said King.

Councillor Larry Clarke asked King if it would be possible for the applicant to consider

building the development on a different part of the property.

King said he would contact the planning consultant to determine if there is another suitable location on the property for the retreat. He added that he planned on opening up a dialogue between the applicant and the objectors to see if a resolution could be reached.

Reeve Barb Reid expressed concern over the proximity of the retreat to County Rd. 121.

"What's being proposed here is a potentially invasive project," said Reid. "If it was sited half a kilometre back into the property it might be different. But what they're proposing is going to be very intrusive to that residential area."

Councillor Ken Redpath wasn't supportive of the retreat's location either.

"I really think something like this needs to be built somewhere it's not right in front of people or a major road," said Redpath. "I would not support moving forward with this for that reason."

Due to the objections that were raised, King asked council if they would be open to suggesting that the applicant install a buffer, such as a vegetation strip, to mitigate the impact of noise and additional lighting.

Reid responded by saying that unless the retreat is located far enough from the nearby homes and the road, a buffer just isn't going to cut it.

"They have 120 acres to work with," she said. "If they can't find a location that's well back from any existing houses, so that they truly are in the middle of nowhere, then it's not going to work in my opinion."

In an e-mail to The Highlander, Tighe said that most of the property consists of "highly rugged terrain," which includes steep slopes, ravines, wetlands and bedrock.

"Any consideration of locating the retreat elsewhere on the property raises major concerns as to whether that would even be feasible," he said. "Any such options would also result in significant degradation of the natural environment."

Tighe said the proposed location for the building features "a localized plateau area, which is the only level site on the property."

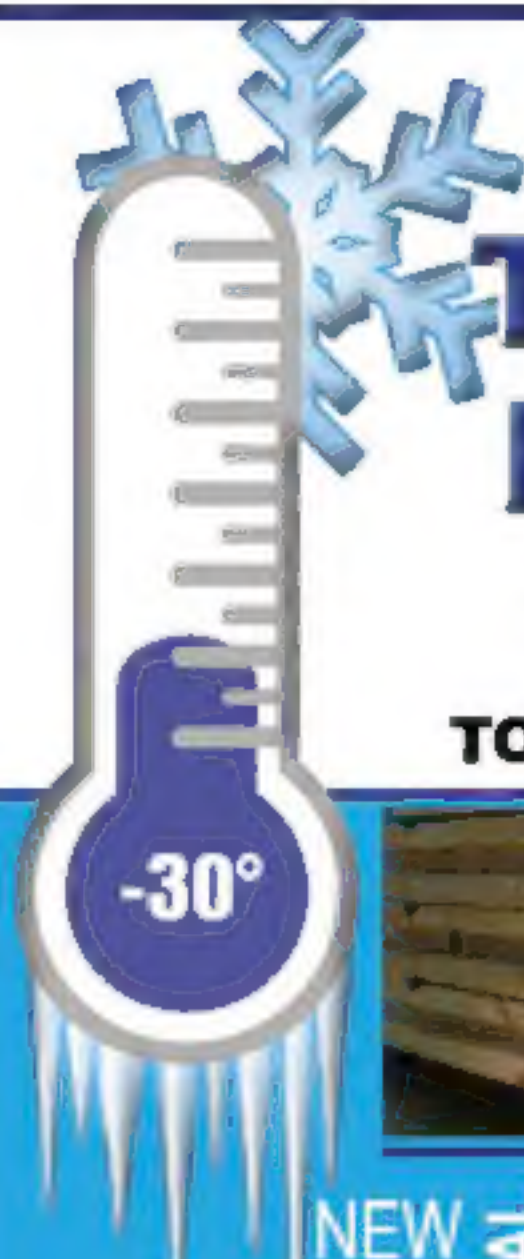
As for concerns about light pollution, he noted that the building would be situated within an enclave of mature trees intended to provide visual buffering from the road. The building itself would be located approximately 164 feet from the road.

No "freestanding lighting" is proposed for the parking lot, said Tighe, adding that this would be regulated through site plan control along with various other design considerations.

If they can't find a location that's well back from any existing houses, so that they truly are in the middle of nowhere, then it's not going to work in my opinion.

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Blowing in the wind

Dave circled around the parked car, being careful not to fall. He knew ice lurked under a thin layer of snow. Steve the dog pulled on the leash Dave held even though his four legs slid with every jerk. Dave steadied himself carefully, taking nothing for granted as he edged across the wintry driveway. Then he stopped while Steve sniffed a collection of deer tracks. Only in Haliburton would there be deer tracks all over my driveway, thought Dave as he waited for Steve.

Then he heard it. The wind. It was tossing the trees about, throwing snowy swirls across the darkened sky. To Dave the sound was the sound of winter—familiar, haunting and somehow entrancing, all at the same time. He felt a sudden closeness to his surroundings as though he and the trees and the air around them both were part of something timeless and very Canadian.

Steve continued to sniff, seemingly oblivious to everything except his nose. As he stood beside his dog, Dave thought how enjoyable it was to simply be, to not have to do anything else but listen and feel. The air was cold and fresh on his face, invigorating the way only winter air can be. For Dave this had always made him feel fully alive and oddly content, no matter what was going on in the rest of his life.

Now the wind came in gusts, pushing hair across his forehead as he stood outside the ring of light from the street. There was a stirring of turtledoves, other winds in other

winters. They were not all the same. Vancouver winter winds tended to drive the rain sideways into English Bay. It shook the cedars and bent the aspens. But it did not echo crisply through the night like right now.

In Thunder Bay there was more crispness however. There the wind was sharp-edged off Lake Superior, rushing up and away into the bush to circle and weave its way into the night. The cold snapped at skin, the wind strong and insistent. To stand in the middle of such determination was a truly northern experience.

One Christmas Dave had visited his cousin in that northern city. They had driven out of town at night to a spot his cousin was considering building a house. Nothing but trees and a small cleared building was awaited them. All was white in the moonlight as the wind pushed streamers of trailing clouds across the moon's face. The silence was deep. Except for the wind. High above their heads, they heard it come in waves and watched as it shivered the birch trees. Eventually the house was built and the birch trees remained. His cousin told Dave he always remembered that night they stood with the wind. It was such a haunting experience for him he knew he had to live there.

Although Canadians like to think of themselves as a northern people, those who live in the far north, that part of the country pushing up against the sixtieth parallel, laugh at the southerners' pretensions. Up there the wind can blow long and

frigid, biting into skin with a ferocity that can surprise the unaccustomed. But it isn't always so. Sometimes playful gusts cool the snow in sheets that sink across the Alaska Highway.

Other times it simply rearranges the dry white stuff back and forth from steps to walkway and back again. No heavy wet snowfalls in that same-and-churn. Just a skiff of snow and the wind gets to work moving it around.

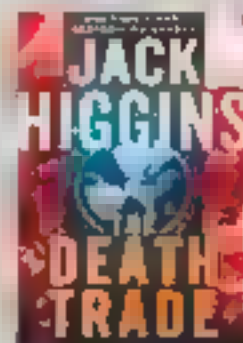
As these thoughts nibbled one on top of the other Dave could feel the merging of past and present. And he knew his own experiences had been shared by many others from the beginning of time. He felt suddenly swept up in something special, enduring. The wind and its sensory trappings held a ghostly familiarity that touched him deeply. He couldn't put it into words. But he knew it shaped who he was just as much as the food he ate or the people he cared about. The winter wind he had known all his life could evoke a more powerful response than he would have ever suspected. It had always been there, that power, but it had been just under the surface of his awareness until tonight.

Steve had finally finished with the deer tracks and began tugging impatiently on the leash. Dave shook off his thoughts and once again picked his way carefully back to the front steps. The wind sighed overhead.

By Sharon Lynch

Haliburton County's Hot Reads

The following are popular new additions to the Haliburton County Public Library's collection this week.



HCPL's TOP FICTION

1. *The Death Trade* by Jack Higgins
2. *Standup Guy* by Stuart Woods
3. *The Way of All Flesh: a novel* by Martha



HCPL's TOP NON-FICTION

1. *Mindful Parenting: Simple and Powerful Solutions for Raising Creative, Engaged, Happy Kids in Today's Hectic World* by Susan Rabe
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3. *What Makes Dogs Run? The Mystery of the 30-Something Truck Stop, and What She Can Teach Us About Living Longer, Happier Lives* by Bruce Grierson

HCPL's TOP JUNIOR TITLES

1. *Hollow City: The Second Novel of Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children* by Ransom Riggs (Young Adult)
2. *Wedgie and the Big Bunny Trouble* by Charise Mericle Harper (Junior Fiction)

AUDIO and VIDEO at HCPL

1. *Parkland* (DVD)
2. *A Man of His Own* by Susan Wilson (Book on CD)

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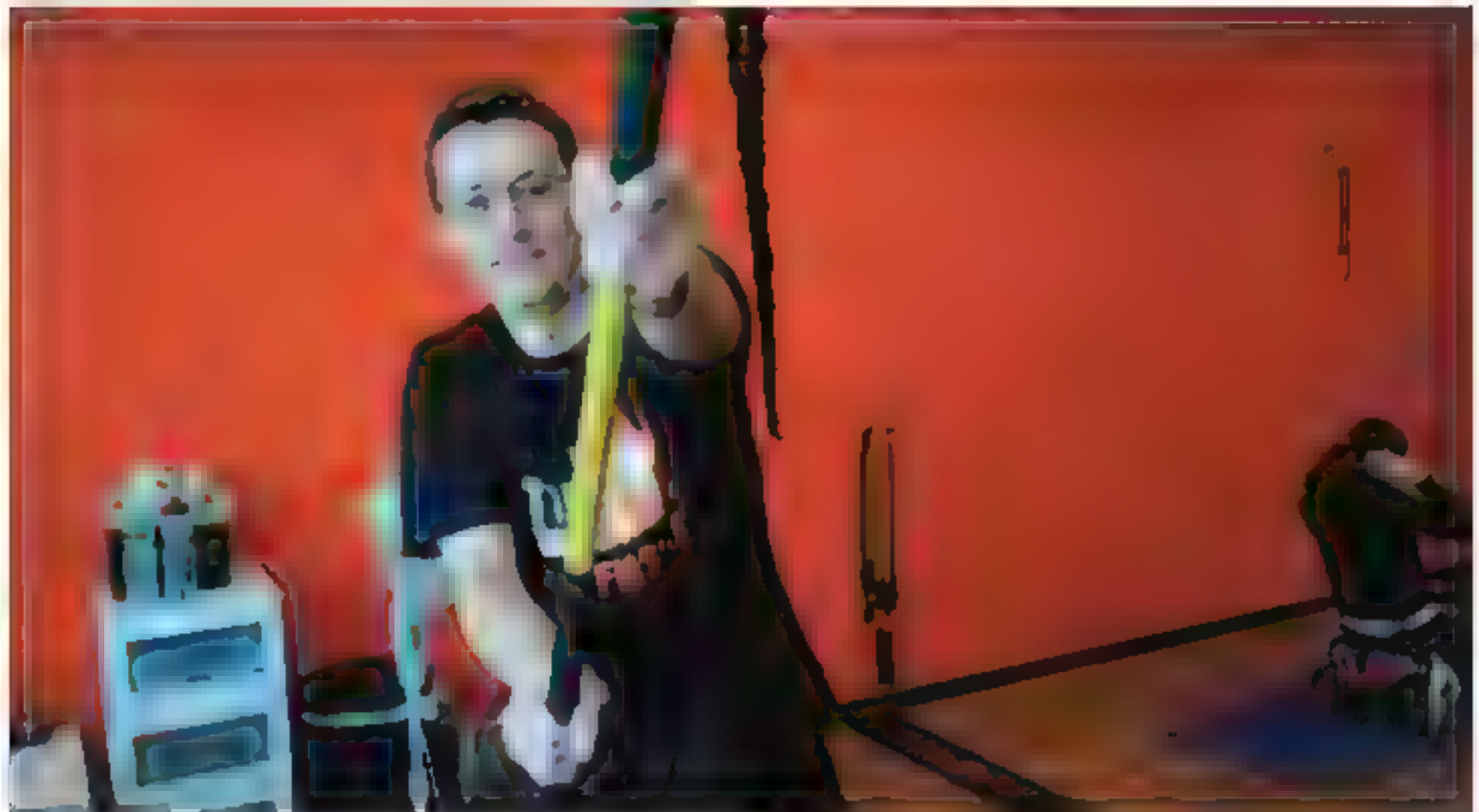


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The Highlander's own Mark Arike puts himself through Haliburton Indoor Cycling and Fitness Studio's boot camp at the company's new location at 28 York Street.

Boot camp bulks up fitness classes

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

With a new location for their business, the Emsleys have been able to expand and offer more than just spinning classes.

"We needed more space to run the boot camp classes," said Angela Emsley, who runs Haliburton Indoor Cycling and Fitness Studio with the help of her husband Dan and 14-year-old son Nick.

Angela purchased the business, which was previously located in the lower level of Haliburton's V&S Department Store mall, from Andrea Whaling last June. She continued to run spinning classes there until January when she decided to relocate the business to 28 York Street, the former site of Touch of Class Day Spa.

"This came up in November to rent and it was bigger than the one upstairs, so it gave us the opportunity to do that," she said.

The Emsleys held their grand opening on Jan. 11, which was well-attended despite an ice storm.

"We only had two people out of a whole class not show," said Dan. "It was pretty good overall."

The new boot camp classes are open to beginners, seniors, youth and athletes.

"We put this boot camp together with everyone in mind, so with each exercise you do in here you can modify them," said Dan, referring to different fitness levels.

Some of the equipment that makes up the 30-40 minute boot camp includes a TRX suspension system and Rip Trainer, heavy bag, battle ropes, and over under with an agility ladder.

"It's an incredibly good overall body workout," he said.

Other fitness classes include Functional Energy Training (FET), Chi Cycling, youth cycling and kickboxing.

For the Emsleys, fitness is a family affair. Dan was a competitive cyclist and has a martial arts background; Nick is a competitive cross-country mountain biker, and Angela is a personal trainer.

"You've got pretty decent overall instruction," said Dan.

"We maybe over-explain sometimes, but when you leave you understand why you did that rather than just doing it. We're trying to give people a direction so they can do that at home as well."

To find out more about drop-in classes and available packages call 706-457-7599.



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Rob Sullivan (left) and his team: Kathleen Lindsay, and Crystal, finished 2013 with the second best store in Ontario for sales over the previous year.

Mark's makes top five

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

The proof that looking after your customers and treating them well is the key to a successful retail store is in the numbers for Mark's general manager Rob Sullivan.

Sullivan's store finished 2013 at 26 per cent total sales over 2012, good enough to place second in the province and fifth in Canada for all Mark's stores.

"That's a big jump," he said. "That's what I was working towards. I was actually working to 25 per cent."

He credits the extra year in business, but also his people on the sales floor who suggest products and alternatives to customers and really emphasize customer service.

"[It's] the way we're merchandising the store," Sullivan said. "People are starting to realize we're here. I've got a great team. [They] look after people."

"They're a friendly bunch."

Part of the store's success has also come from the partnership between the Mark's team and Canadian Tire in Minden.

"We have a great relationship with our dealer, Steve McLennan, at Canadian Tire and his team," Sullivan said. "That's half the battle right there. He has a good team out there and we have a good team in here. It's just a perfect fit."

In 2014, Sullivan plans to keep pushing the importance of customer service to drive his sales even further.

"[I'm going to] try to beat what I did last year," he said.

Junior highlanders

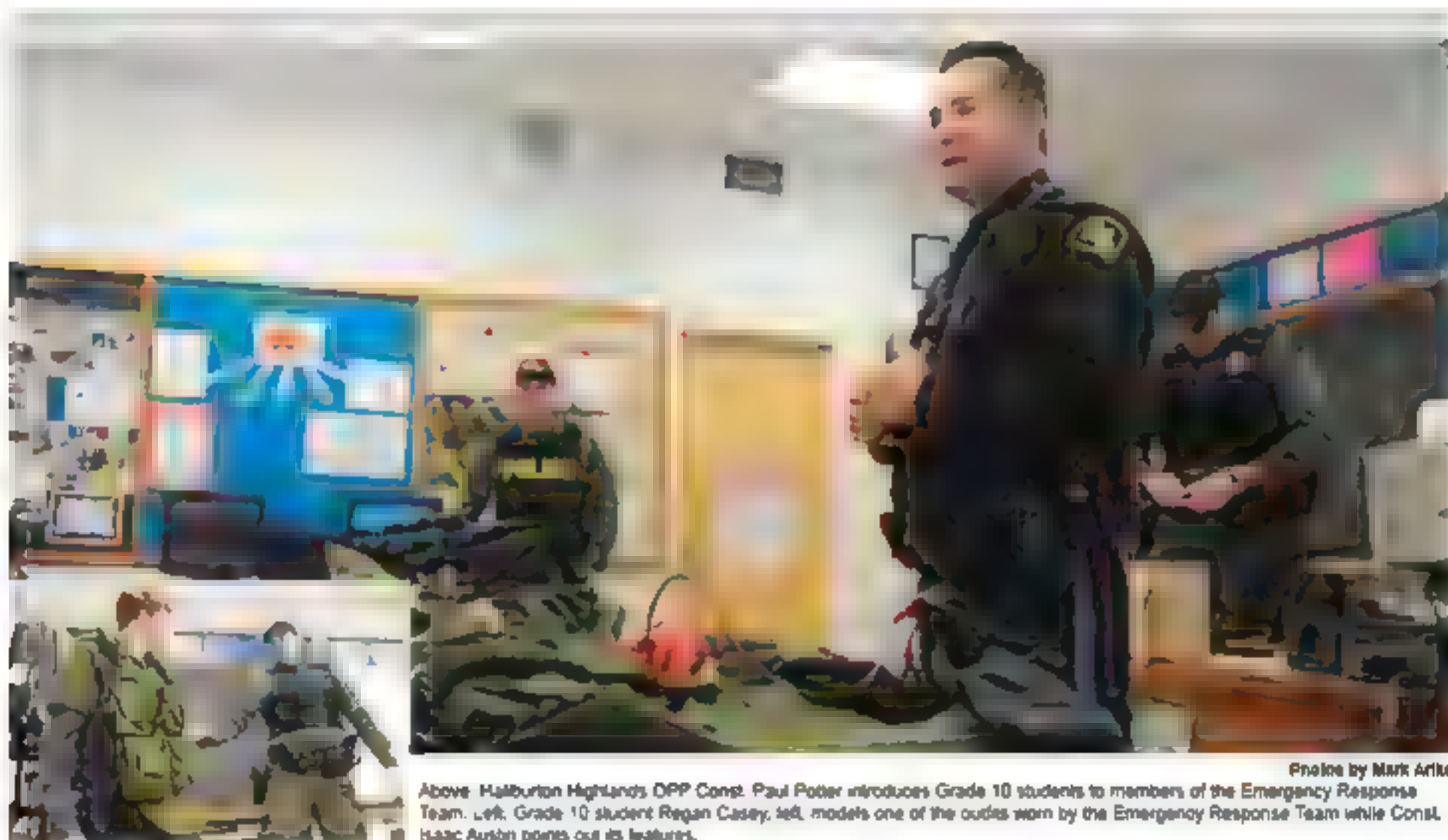


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Above: Haliburton Highlands OPP Const. Paul Potter introduces Grade 10 students to members of the Emergency Response Team. Left: Grade 10 student Regan Casey, left, models one of the outfits worn by the Emergency Response Team while Const. Isaac Austin points out its features.

Show and tell with the Ontario police

By Mark Arlke
Staff writer

It's not every day that members of the OPP's tactical unit enter the classroom.

But on Jan. 16, that's exactly what happened in Sam Little's Grade 10 careers class at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

"We're going to talk a little about diversity

in the OPP – and not just through our people but through our different skill sets," OPP Const. Paul Potter told the students.

The class learned about careers in the OPP from members of the Emergency Response Team, Const. Isaac Austin and Sharna MacDonald, and canine handler Jon King who brought along his canine partner Ben.

During the presentation students got a close look at some of the equipment that officers use on the job, and were treated to

a controlled search for drugs provided by Ben and King.

According to Potter, there are many careers to choose from with the OPP.

"It gives students an opportunity to see what career choices are available to them and what different options are available as an OPP officer," he said. "The OPP is a large organization and we have numerous specialty units with a wide array of skill sets and this presentation lets them see

some first-hand. The students in the Grade 10 level are starting to make curriculum choices, that can truly affect what type of career path they wish to follow."

The OPP have been invited to the high school before to provide presentations to students, said Potter.

"We have an excellent relationship with the staff at HHSS and we appreciate any opportunity to be in the school," he said.

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Photos by Mark Artko

Above: Katie Stinson, a volunteer from J.D. Hodgson Elementary School, helps a student put on their snowshoes. Right: Students and staff take in all the action at the mini luge run.

PALS students enjoy winter thrills

By Mark Artko
Staff writer

About 50 students in the Practical and Academic Life Skills program (PALS) got to experience the joys of winter on Jan. 17 during a full day of activities at Haliburton's Glebe Park.

"Kids in my class are not that active and I'm really worried about them being active in the winter," said Mike Gervais, a teacher in the PALS program at J.D. Hodgson Elementary School. "I came up with this idea and put in for a program enhancement grant from Trillium Lakeshore District School Board."

Gervais applied for the grant in October and received \$3,500 in

November. The funds were used to cover transportation costs, teachers' time, lunches, and the purchase of rental luges and equipment rentals.

Students came from J.D. Hodgson Elementary School, Archie Stoddart Elementary School, Wilberforce Elementary School, Langdon Public School in Fenelon Falls, and Parkview Public School in Lindsay.

Activities included cross-country skiing, luge and snow-shoeing.

"This is like an inclusive look-off to the real Winter Olympics," said Gervais. "The idea behind it is not just that it's a day of fun, but also to expose some of these students to activities they haven't done before."

The event was also a leadership

initiative for 15 Grade 8 students who volunteered from J.D. Hodgson Elementary School, said Gervais.

"Their job is to assist in any way possible with the students who have come. It's going to increase their compassion and understanding of different students with different abilities."

Gervais would like to see the one-day event become an annual initiative.

"This is just the first year," he explained. "We'd like to try to expand it and open it up to a few more schools."

The event received support from Algonquin Outfitters, Sharpley Source for Sports and Kate Butler, curator of the Haliburton Highlands Museum.



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Highlander life

Starting the year right with healthy eating

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

One day Deb Fisher woke up, took a look around, and decided to change her life.

From that point on, she got active by exercising and cleaning and reorganizing her house — including her cupboards.

"It's not because of anything a doctor said or because of health problems," says the Menden resident of her decision to change her eating habits and get more exercise. "It's my decision."

Fisher said that she found herself out of breath from running up and down the stairs, and that she wants to be healthy enough to continue caring for her young grandchildren. So she joined fitness classes and made changes to her diet.

"Before, I ate anything and everything," she laughs. "And lots of it."

Fisher said that she began eating less bread and more rice. She is sure to rely a

so that she knows their ingredients. She also changed the portions on her plate so that she was eating a healthier amount.

"It's not just about taking every single thing that you eat, and all of a sudden throwing yourself in to say, 'I'm not eating that chicken or that doughnut,'" she says. "It's all about moderation. Instead of two huge platefuls, you can have half a bowl."

Fisher says that as a result of these changes, "I've got a lot more energy. And this is just starting."

Nicki Mills is a registered dietitian with the Family Health Team. Her job is to help any patient of the Family Health Team to be well-informed so they can make good diet choices. She also acknowledges that sometimes life gets in the way and eating well isn't always easy.

"I think eating well takes some time and thought," she says. "People need to get into the routine and structure to plan ahead." Mills says that it's also important to "aim for what to eat, as opposed to what you can't eat." She suggests that half of your plate should be vegetables, like leafy greens, and that aiming to have a colourful meal is a good goal as well.

Mills says her job is to help people streamline all of the information they're

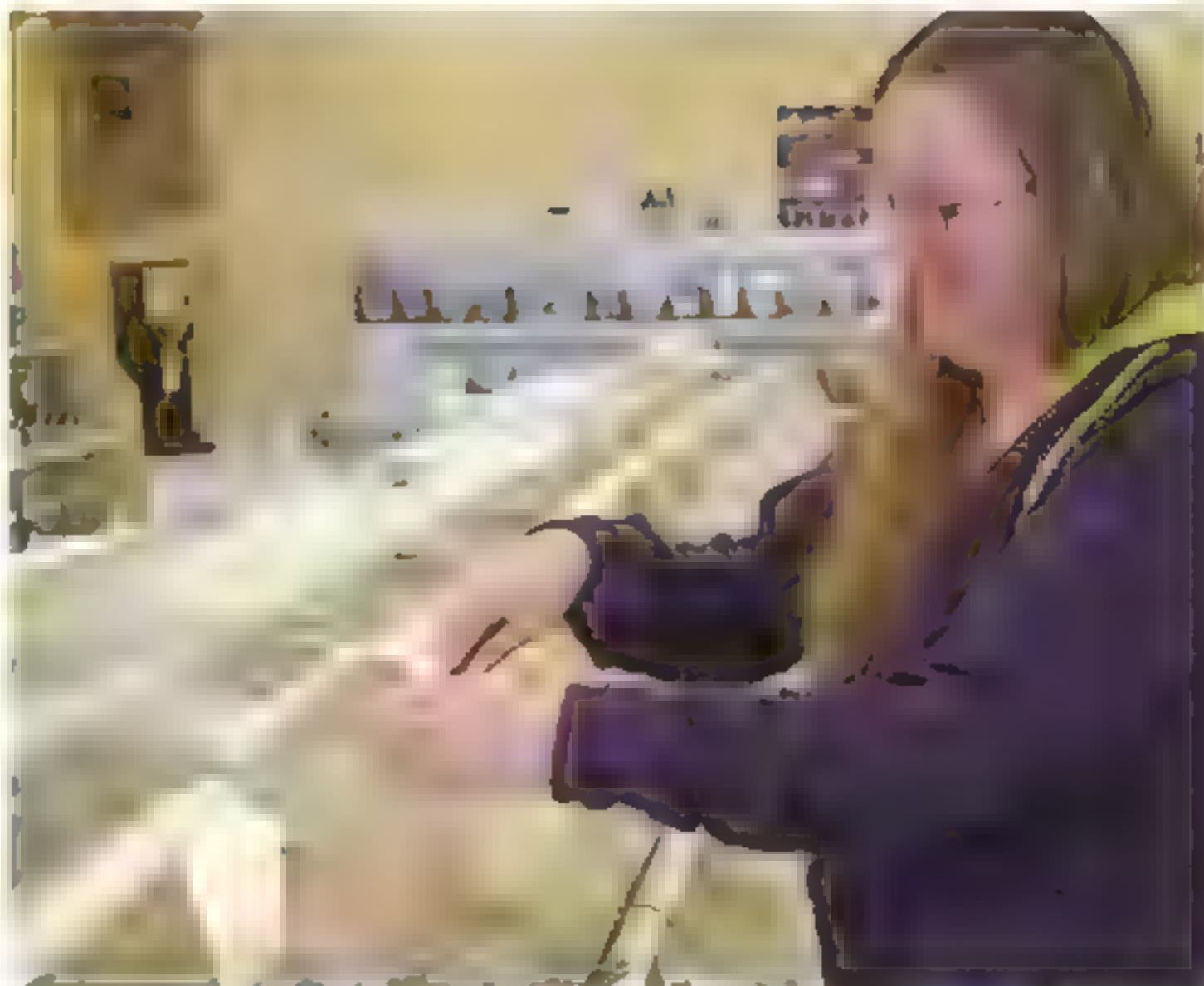


Photo by Matthew Osegoles

Nicky Parish credits SIRCH for teaching her to make healthier food choices for her family. She shops at the Country Kitchen Bulk Food Store in Haliburton for some of her healthy food ingredients.

getting from talk shows or the news or the Internet. She knows that it can be difficult to understand and read food labels but shows clients how to make choices based on that information.

Haliburton resident Nicky Parish learned how to make healthy food choices through a program at SIRCH. Through the program, she visited farms and the

bulk food store to learn about where food originated, and the importance of buying fresh ingredients.

"Before, everything was out of packages," she says. But after learning what was in packaged foods, Parish says she wanted to make changes. "I wanted my family to live a healthier life."

Now she makes everything she can from

scratch, she's learning how to grow her own garden, and she has even raised her own chickens with help from her three kids.

"I have more energy and I know my family is eating better foods," she says. "I try and share what I have learned with everyone, and all the different things I have tried. They are all interested in trying, too."





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Highlander sports

The Highlander Midget A

Submitted by Wendy Simons

The Highlander's Highland Storm Midget A's began their OMHA playdowns this past Friday night in Minden against the Ennismore Eagles. These two teams had not met before this game this season but the expectations were high for a fast-paced game. Ennismore would get on the scoreboard first and hold the lead until midway through the second. At the 12-minute mark, Jacob Sisson evened up the score with help from traffic around the net and assists from Spencer Thurman and Nathan Fox. The game would remain deadlocked until the last minute of the third when Tyler Barry would find the back of the net on a power play, assists handed to Connor Dollo and Nathan. The score would remain 2-1 as the buzzer to the pleasure of the large hometown crowd. The teams met again Friday night in Ennismore, then again Saturday at 4 p.m. in Haliburton for Game 3.

Dollo's Foodland Peewee A

Submitted by Larry Bulka

The Dollo's Foodland Highland Storm Peewee A team won two of three games in the MPS tournament on Saturday but still could not advance to the tournament championship game. Three events ended with identical win-loss records but the elimination was decided by which had the most penalty minutes. The Storm team played South Muskoka first, winning 3-1 with goals by Owen Gilbert, Lucas Hardicke and Seth Wilbur. Game 2 was a heartbreaker loss to Hurstville in three on three overtime. The Storm team was up 3-1 going into the third period with goals by Ben MacNicol and Gilbert, but Hurstville managed to tie the game. In three on three overtime, Hardicke was a step in front of the Hurstville defender and ready to shoot but was hauled down with no penalty on the play. Hurstville gained puck possession and skated down the ice

to score the game-winning goal. Game 3 against Parry Sound was a confident 5-2 win by the Storm team with two goals each by Gilbert and Nigel Smith, and one by Hardicke. The Storm Peewee A team will start a best of five playoff series against Parry Sound next weekend.

Smolen Dentistry Bantam A

Submitted by Craig Smith

The Highland Storm Smolen Dentistry Bantam A's beat Parry Sound in their first game of the OMHA playdowns 6-1 in front of a jam-packed Minden Arena crowd. Jacob Bishop scored 70 seconds into the game with a shot from the point assisted by Matt Wilbur. The Storm scored again with 6:16 left in the first period on a goal from Paydip Muscia assisted by Jacob Hardicke. The Storm scored two more in the second to go up 4-0 on goals from Kyle Cooper assisted by Mark Seville and Chris Thompson assisted by Chase Burden and Greg Crofts before Parry Sound could get one past Josh Bellerfleur. Andrew Hall scored with 3:41 left in the third to put Storm up 5-1 assisted by Crofts. Parry Sound never gave up as they scored at the 7:15 mark. Owen Smith Smith finished the game off at 1:18 left on an assist from Bishop and Wilbur. Bellerfleur stood strong in the net for the win.

Game 2 was in Parry Sound on Sunday at the Bobby Orr Community Centre. The Shamrocks came out strong and fast going up 2-0 until four seconds left in the first when Bishop scored on a pass from Sonny Smith and Wilbur. The Storm's Chase Thompson scored with 9:26 left in the second to tie it up, with assists to Burden and Hardicke. Shamrocks made it 3-2 minutes later before Crofts tied it up at three with 58 seconds left in the third assisted by Burden and Thompson. After submission, the Storm needed to get their momentum back and proved that they were here to

play and finished up the scoring when Josh Boice went end to end and kicked the puck up under the cross bar to make it 4-3 with 3:59 left. Assists were to Wilbur and Bishop. Paydip Muscia made several net saves to give the Storm the win. Game 3 is scheduled for Jan. 30 at 7 p.m. in Minden.

Minden CARQUEST Midget B Girls

Submitted by Dan Marston

The Highland Storm Minden CARQUEST Midget B Girls team traveled to Ennismore and Cold Creek on Sunday for a double-header against the first and second place clubs in their loop. The Sunday noon game against the Ennismore Eagles was a put-off style game with a fast pace, strong defense, and few chances being given by each club. Connor Marsden shut down and nailed away all Eagle shooters in the 0-0 shut-out draw. It was an awesome game where both clubs fought the duration of the game but were unable to tally on the game sheet to make a difference as the win counts. One difficult outcome was the possible exit of Maddie Blings as the third period to a hip injury. Hopefully some rest and physio will get her back to the ice in time for the playoffs. Great game girls in tying first place Ennismore who have lost only one game going up three goals in the season so far.

The Storm girls travelled to Frankford for their second tilt of the day against Cold Creek at 7 p.m. Canada's Gettner stepped into the D box-up for Blings and stepped up to the challenge with the strong second place Cornets club. Sydney Fie opened up the scoring as the Storm jumped out to an early 1-0 lead. The Cornets battled back along the support of some questionable officiating to take a 2-1 lead into the third period. The Storm never lost their focus in the third of the game and tied the game at 2-2 early in the third period with a strike from Alicia McLean. The Cold Creek team, rolling three strong ones, were the Storm's two lines down and capitalized on their chances to tilt the game in their favour. Final score 4-2. Wicked double-header girls as we gear up for our league playoffs and provincial playdowns.

Lions Club Atom AE

Submitted by Terry Smith

The Lions Club Highland Storms Atom AEs played their year-end MPS Tournament in Hurstville this past weekend. The team played well and managed a record of two wins and two losses. The Storm opened well with a win against South Muskoka, but then lost to North Muskoka and Port Carling, ending their championship hopes. It was the final game of the round robin that was the highlight of the weekend when the Storm beat the first place Hurstville Otters 1-0 in an exciting game on their Olympic ice in front of their home crowd.

The big win was the result of a team effort to "make things happen" and win every little battle. The Storm did the little things

that teams have to do to win in the playoffs: chipping pucks out of their zone, winning races, and standing up the Otter offensive. It was Brendan Coughlin who crashed the Otters net off a faceoff and turned a bouncing puck with a couple minutes remaining in the third period. The crowd went wild.

The real star in this game was goaltender Darran Willis who calmly stole the game for the Storm. His shutout performance meant his teammates only needed to get one goal. His play brought back memories of Hall of Famer Patrick Roy, winning it opponents, as they tried everything to score but failed. Willis was totally in the zone.

The Peppermill Atom A

Submitted by Kathy Mann

We have had a great regular season! We have an awesome group of kids, parents and coaching staff. It has made for some super teamwork.

Last weekend we competed in the Peterborough Laker tournament. We tied with the Tweed Hawks 2-2, tied with the Loyals Jan 2-2 and won against the Carletonville Colts 3-1 that earned us the group B finalist and we would go on to play the wild card team. Well, the wild card team turned out to be the Carletonville Colts, so we packed up and moved to a different arena to play the team we had just defeated. After a one-biter of a game the Storm succumbed to the Colts late in the third period by one heart-breaking goal.

Nevertheless, The Peppermill Highland Storms Atom A team put three game faces on this weekend in the annual Muskoka Parry Sound Tournament (MPS). Our first game was against the Parry Sound Shamrocks. The Shamrocks knew there was a Storm brewing. This was Dylan "shut the front door" Jewell's game. Amazing team spirit and superior goal tending allowed us a 3-0 shut-out.

Our next game was against South Muskoka and the forward line of Joe Boice, Tim Turner and Tyler Martin made some great passing plays as well as defencemen Aaron Bellerfleur, Colin Glecoff, Cole Prentice and Alex Little had some great shots from the point and stood tough on the blue line.

Last but not least, the game against our biggest rival, Hurstville, started out with us being behind by two goals in the first three minutes of the game. Alex Little had a beautiful breakaway, scoring the first goal for The Peppermill Highland Storms Atom A team smoothly unassisted. The team made a gutsy performance while battling a flu bug and nerves giving up to be victorious over Hurstville 3-4.

It too was a real-biter of a game that was enjoyed and cheered on by many in the stands. Thanks to all the parents, grandparents, friends and other Storm teams, your support was much appreciated. This was a perfect precursor to starting playdowns next weekend.

As the standings are now going into the playdowns, The Peppermill Highland Storms Atom A team has 11 wins, four losses, and three ties.



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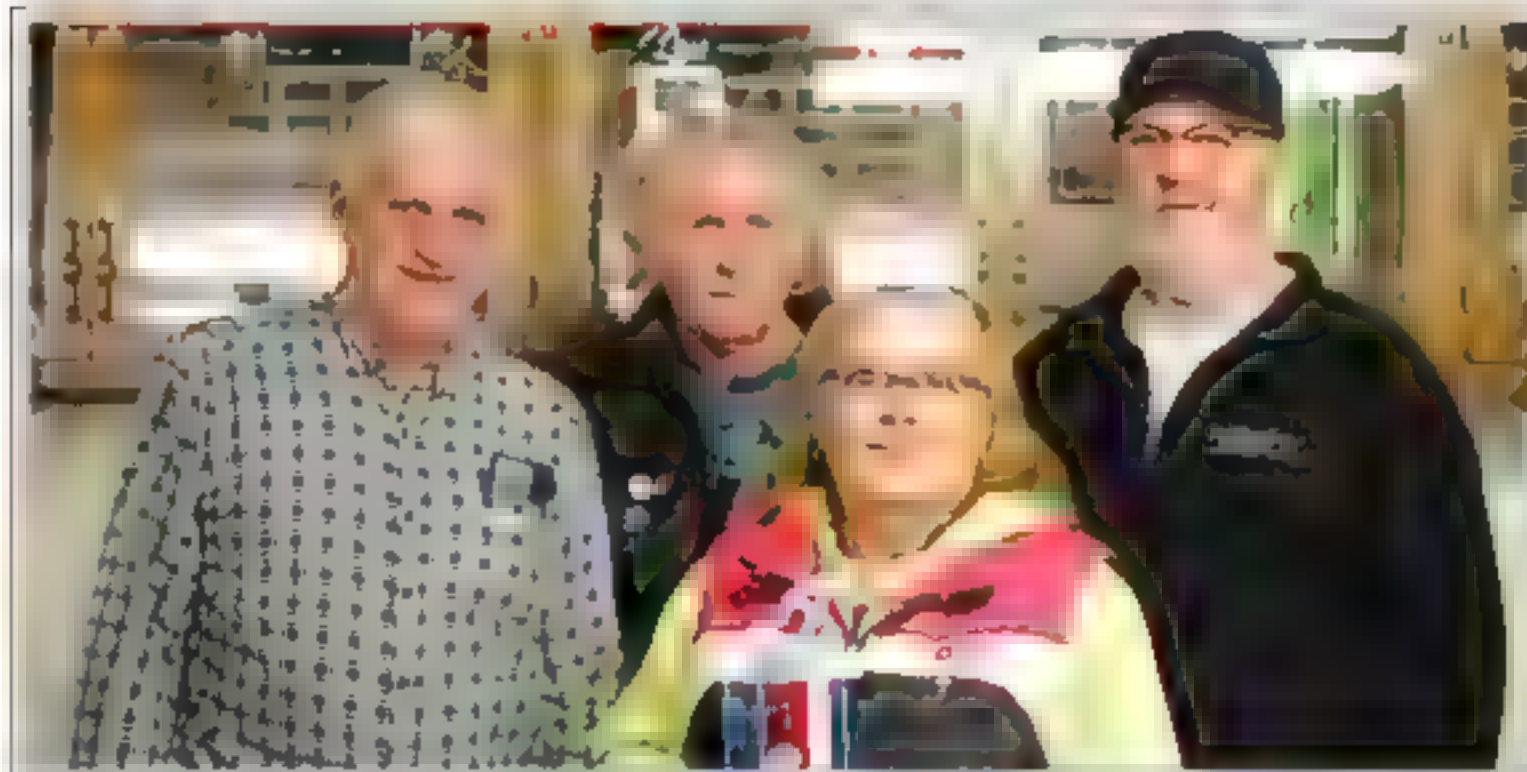
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Highlander sports



By Matthew Desrocher

Bringing it home

The Wilberforce Curling Club held its annual mixed eight-end bonspiel from Jan. 17-18. Eight teams competed, some from out-of-town, throughout the weekend. Local club member Ron Roberts slipped his team to victory in the bonspiel, winning the trophy for his hometown club. Roberts finished nine points above the second place rink in the overall standings.

Pictured left, Doug Stephen (left) vice, Chris Stickland, second, Teresa Smith, lead; and Ron Roberts, skip, with their championship trophy.



Photo by Sue Tiffin

Two girls learn to ski down the hill in Glebe Park.

Ski bunnies take to the trails

Program encourages volunteers to help others

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

The peace and quiet of Glebe Park was delightfully broken with the sounds of kids laughing and shouting while learning to ski last Jan. 18.

As part of the Haliburton Highlands Jack Rabbit Cross Country Ski Program, about 100 kids aged 4 to 12 took over the trails to learn skills, or teach others how to maneuver on nordic skis. Youngsters warily followed their teachers' lead, while the teachers themselves sweetly cheered the students on.

"Those are cool skis," said one 10-year-old boy to encourage a student half his size. "I had some just like them when I

went your age."

"It's volunteer-run, and it's a great price for so many lessons," said skier and parent Michelle Dulong of Haliburton, whose daughter was practicing a skate-style technique that day.

The goal of the program is to learn that winter and snow provide a great opportunity for outdoor enjoyment and adventure.

The program runs on Saturdays in January and February and costs each child \$30 for registration and for six days of practice. The Bunnyrabbit program runs for children five and under, the Jackrabbit program for children six to nine, and the Track Attack program for 10-12 year olds. Younger students earn incentives like award booklets and stickers to improve technique, endurance, and speed, while the older students earn incentive cards which represent targets in a log book.

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Budget Meeting - February 27, 2014 Council Meeting.

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1. File No. SRA-13-03
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2. File No. SRA-13-09
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Dear sister of Judy (Joseph), Janice, Shari (Kevin), Valerie (Larry), Catherine and Joy (Dan). Also lovingly remembered by many aunts and nephews. Bonita's life revolved around her grandchildren and family. She enjoyed volunteering at the local churches and Community Care. She loved to travel.

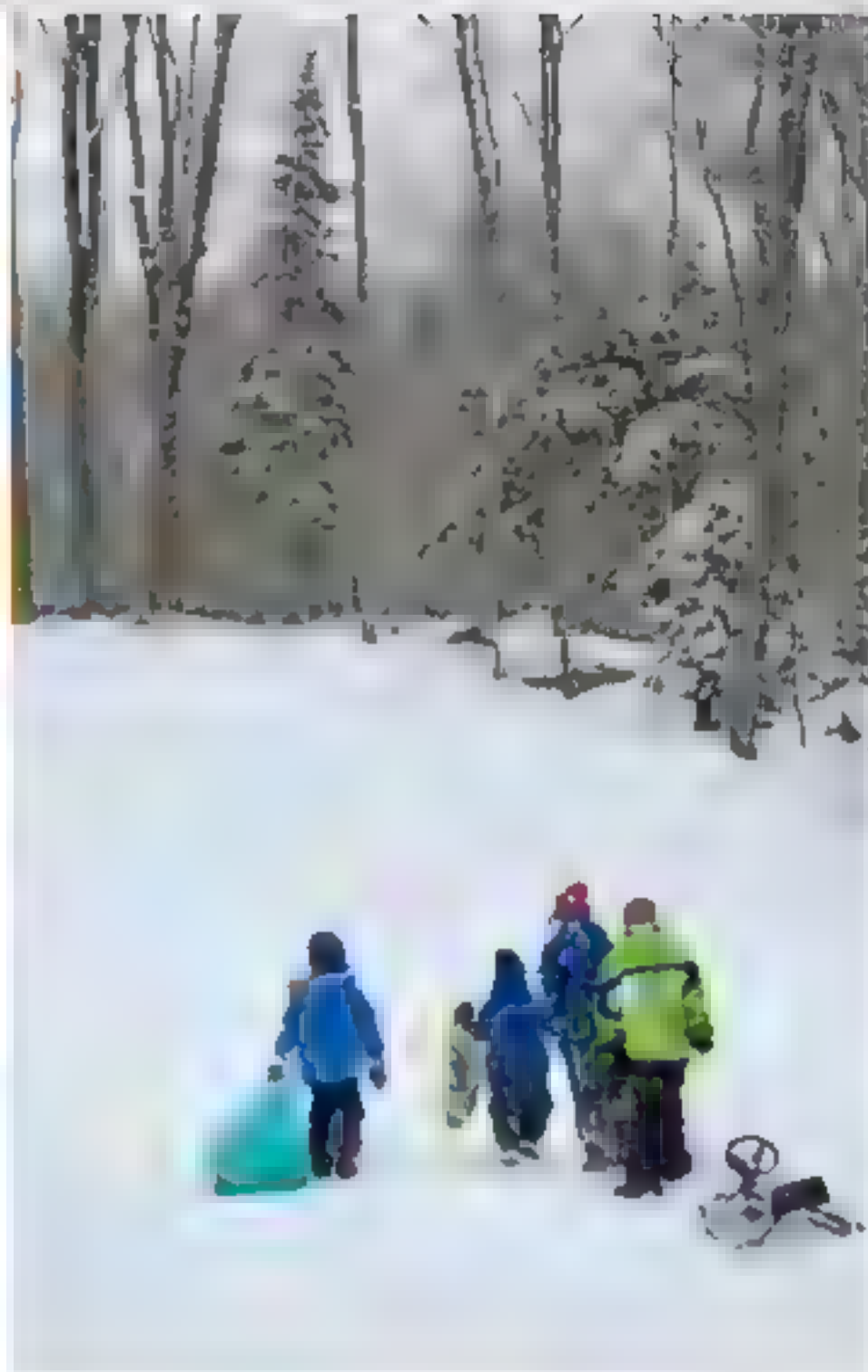
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Friends called at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy #18, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 571-9289 on Saturday morning, January 18, 2014 from 10 o'clock until time of Funeral Service in the Chapel at 11 o'clock. Reception followed in The Community Room. Interment later Glanville Cemetery, Gooderham. As expressions of sympathy donations to Community Care Haliburton County, Gooderham Funeral Home or the Wilberforce Full Gospel Church would be appreciated by the family.

Community Funeral Home

www.communityfuneralhome.com

Highlander events



Photos by Sue Tiffin

Top left: Andrew McGuire, 8, and four-year-old brother Lukas warmed up with hot chocolate and homemade oatmeal raisin cookies after an afternoon on the toboggan hill. Above: Four-year-olds Lukas McGuire and Noah Bamberger and eight-year-old Andrew McGuire made a friend in 10-year-old local Xavier Dulong while they were visiting from Georgetown and Keswick. The boys brought their sleds to the toboggan hill at Glebe Park as part of the Haliburton Land Trust's Nature Days series. Bottom left: Lukas McGuire, 4, was visiting from Georgetown with his family and had a blast "beating his world record" on the toboggan hill at Glebe Park. Middle left: Sheila Ziman, The Haliburton Land Trust past chair, took snowshoers on a hike through the forest at Glebe Park as part of the Nature in the Hood: Discovery Days program.

Fresh air and hot chocolate

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

Families came out on Jan. 18 to sled, snowshoe, and warm up with goodies at the Haliburton Land Trust's first event of the year in the Nature in the Hood: Discovery Days series.

Sheila Ziman, past chair of the Land Trust, thought that many participants might have been part of the nordic ski event that was being held the same day, but was happy that

some out-of-town participants joined locals in the snow.

After tobogganing down the slopes or trekking through the snowshoe trails at Glebe Park, participants warmed up with some hot chocolate and homemade cookies while playing old-fashioned games at the Haliburton Museum.

Eight-year-old Andrew McGuire from Georgetown said that Glebe Park has, "the best hill, ever! Except for Mount Everest."

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Last week's puzzle solutions

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JANUARY 2014 EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Minden Sparks and Brownies meeting, 6-7:30 p.m.	Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships starts.	Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships continues.	LAST DAY TO CATCH THIS WEEKEND'S ACTION! Hockey Championships wrap up today.
Fiddleball - Haliburton Highlands Secondary School gym, 7-9:45 p.m. \$4 and must have clean, indoor court or running shoes.	Roast beef dinner Haliburton United Church, 5:30 p.m. \$12 adult youth, \$8 child (6-10), children under 6 admitted free.	Hockey Night in Haliburton There's Something in the Water movie premiere - Head Lake Park, 7-9 p.m.	
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
	Minden Guides and Pathfinders meeting, 6:30-8 p.m.	Pickleball - Minden Community Centre, 6:30-12:30 p.m. Cost \$2, must bring indoor shoes.	Minden Sparks and Brownies meeting, 6-7:30 p.m.
	Contract Bridge - Minden United Church, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Contact 705-286-1300		Fiddleball - Haliburton Highlands Secondary School gym, 7-9:45 p.m. \$4 and must have clean, indoor court or running shoes.
	Euchre - West Gullford Community Centre, 7 p.m.		
FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament - Jan 31 - Feb 2, A.J. Lafue Arena, Haliburton			

WHAT'S GOING ON AT YOUR LOCAL LEGION?

Haliburton Branch (705-457-2578)
General meeting, 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Ladies Auxiliary, 1st Thursday, 1 p.m.
Meat draw, Fridays, 4:30-6:30 p.m. \$2/drink
50/50 draw, Saturday, 4 p.m.
Breakfast, 2nd and 4th Sunday, 9:30-1 p.m.
Bid Euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m.
Bridge, 1st Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Evening of Stargazing, February 1st, 7 p.m., buffet included.

Minden Branch (705-286-4541)
Lunch menu, Monday - Friday, 12-2 p.m.
Cribbage, Saturday, 1-3 p.m.
Seniors 'B-d' Euchre, Tuesday, 1 p.m.
Meat Draw, Wednesday, lunchtime.
Ladies darts, Thursday, 1 p.m.
Euchre, Thursday, 7-10 p.m.
FishWings & Chips, Friday, 5-7 p.m.
Mixed darts, Friday, 7-10 p.m.
Wilberforce Branch (705-448-2221)
Community Card 9/4 Euchre, Friday, 7 p.m.

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Pool, Friday, 1-30 p.m.
Jazz session, Friday, 7 p.m.
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Meat draw, Saturday, 2 p.m.
Robbie Burns dinner, Saturday, 8 p.m.
Pancake & sausage breakfast, 8-11 a.m.
Bid Euchre, Monday, 7 p.m.
Fun darts, Wednesday, 7-10 p.m.

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Highlander events

Hockey doc featured on CBC

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Haliburton is on the big stage.

There's Something in the Water?, a documentary about Haliburton's hockey history and culture, is being premiered on Jan. 25 during Hockey Night in Haliburton, an evening event pulled together to launch the film.

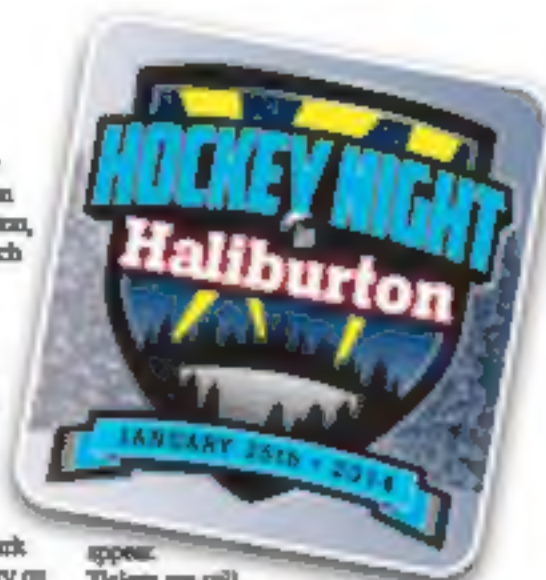
Wayde Greer, the film's executive producer with Bent Nose Media, said CBC's Wei Chen will feature the event on her Friday morning show, Jan. 24, at 8:10 a.m.

"This is monumental exposure for the county," he said.

Hockey Night in Haliburton will host a crowd of visitors in Head Lake Park to watch the premiere of the documentary on a 40-foot screen. The evening will be hosted by TSN's James Durbie, with special guests Bobby Baum and Chris Nilan scheduled to

appear.

Tickets are still available for \$20 at McKee's and Baked & Brewed in Haliburton, the tourism office in Minden, or Minden Pharmasave.



MINDEN HILLS

NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF A ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT
Application RZ 13-13, Part of Lots 12 and 13, Concession 12,
geographic Township of Lutterworth
By-law - 14-04

TAKE NOTICE that the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills passed By-law No. 14-04 on the 10th day of January, 2014 under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990. By-law No. 14-04 amends Schedule "14" of Zoning By-law 05-10, as amended, as it pertains to those lands described above, by rezoning the subject lands from the Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone to the Shoreline Residential Exception Fifty (SR-50), Shoreline Residential Exception Fifty-One (SR-51), and Shoreline Residential Exception Fifty-Two (SR-52) Zones to recognize several deficiencies with respect to lot frontage, lot area, and side yard setbacks on the subject properties, as described in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the By-law. This By-law conforms to the Township of Minden Hills Official Plan. The complete by-law is available for inspection in my office during regular office hours.

AND TAKE NOTICE that the properties subject to Application RZ 13-13 are also the subject of Applications for Consent H-073/2010, H-089/2010, and H-040/2012.

AND TAKE NOTICE any person or agency may appeal a by-law to the Ontario Municipal Board by filing with the Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills not later than the 12th day of February, 2014, a Notice of Appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection, accompanied by a fee of \$125.00, made payable to the Minister of Finance, as prescribed under the Ontario Municipal Board Act.

DATED at the Township of Minden this 23rd day of January, 2014.
Adam King, M.R.M.
Planning Administrator

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Application RZ 13-06, Part of Lots 4 and 5, Concession 12,
geographic Township of Lutterworth
By-law - 14-03

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What's on



All systems go for Pond Hockey Championships

By Mark Arlita
Staff writer

Downtown Haliburton will transform into a hockey lover's paradise this weekend with the kick-off of the Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships (CNPHC).

According to Neil Lumsden, executive director of the event for J-Core Marketing, everything is shaping up nicely for the upcoming two weekends of hockey action.

"People are working their tail off – here and down there," said Lumsden. "It's going great."

Between Jan. 24-25 and Jan. 31 to Feb. 2, approximately 1,400 pond hockey players are expected to arrive in the village for what has been dubbed "The World's Largest Pond Hockey Tournament."

Games will be played in various divisions at one venue: Head Lake Park. A total of 30 rinks have been created on the lake by community volunteers.

The conditions are expected to be ideal, said Lumsden.

"It's been scraped, they're building the rinks... now the grooming will start from there. Then we're going to get some

flooding in tomorrow."

This Saturday at 7 p.m. a number of special guests, including TSN's James Duhé, will flock to the park for the long-awaited premier of Bent Nose Media's documentary "There's Something in the Water?" The film – which connects the dots between Haliburton and the NHL – will be played on a 40-foot screen.

It's a highlight that Lumsden is proud to partner with.

"I just think this is an exciting time for the entire region," he said.

With all of the games free-of-charge, it is hoped that even more spectators will check out the festivities. A number of local vendors will provide food and beverages to those in attendance.

This is Haliburton's second year hosting the CNPHC, however, the event got its start in Huntsville nine years ago. According to a press release, teams from seven provinces, 13 US states, Japan, Ireland and Scotland have participated over the past eight years, playing upwards of 7,450 hockey games.

For more information about the event visit www.canadapondhockey.ca.

The photo

The Markham Originals, last year's Men's Open champions at the Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships in Haliburton, with their hard-earned trophy.



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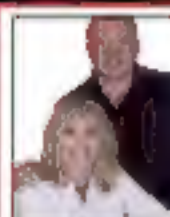
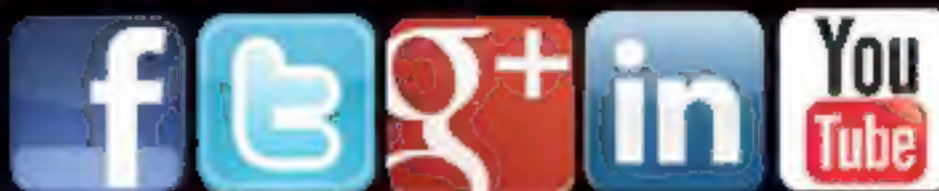
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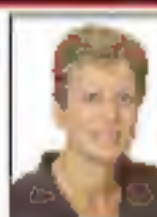


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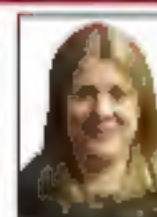
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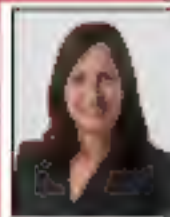
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- Master bedroom with walkout to deck
- Pure floor, tile, doors, central air
- Large island deck and dock, view

CUSTOM WATERFRONT HOME \$749,900



- 4 bedrooms, 2.5 bath, 1600 sq ft living space
- 100 ft deep driveway, 0.50 acre
- 22 ft pier, 2000 sq ft, stone fireplace
- Place to enjoy views, custom kitchen
- Stunning expansive southern view

IRONDALE RIVERFRONT \$28,900

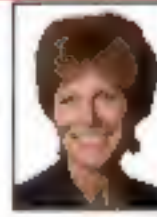


- 100 ft of shoreline on 40 acre
- Low wooded with great privacy
- House is at the end of a quiet road
- Private driveway to lot line
- 10 minutes from Kinmount

ACRES + GRAVEL PIT \$199,000



- 100 acre property, very private
- Includes 10 acre Class B gravel pit
- Excellent fully transparent
- Close to village of Kinmount
- Private road, well treed, large pond



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GREAT STARTER HOME \$124,900



- 1200 sq ft, 3 bedroom home
- Close to great school, bus
- 2 bedrooms, garage
- New windows, furnace, roof
- Wide open TLC - priced to sell

DON'T MISS OUT! \$285,900



- 3 bedrooms, 2.5 bath, 2000 sq ft living space
- Access to swimming, boating, fishing
- Open concept with new windows
- New kitchen floor, new bathroom
- Attached well with crystal clear water

BEAUTIFUL LOG HOME \$139,900



- 4 bedrooms, 1.5 bath, 2000 sq ft
- 3 year new fireplace, hot tub, ramp
- Almost ground level with decking
- Overhead double garage
- A short road to the lake, 10 min. to the lake

FABULOUS COUNTRY HOME \$490,000



- 3 bedrooms, 2.5 bath, 3000 sq ft living space
- Close to beaches, shopping, dining
- Sunroom, hardwood floors, granite counter
- Lower level walkout to gorgeous yard
- Many recent upgrades, your perfect country



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